

Emmanuel Baptist, originally built as Mount Pleasant M.E. Church in 1872 and turned over to the former in the 1940's, was organized because of the Methodist split in the late 1830's. Until this rectangular uncoursed stone church was built the congregation worshipped in a log structure on the same property.

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

Mt. Pleasant Methodist Episcopal (Methodist Episcopal) Church)

AND/OR COMMON

Emmanuel Baptist Church of Gamber

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER 4150 Sykesville Road (Maryland Route 32)

CITY, TOWN

Finksburg

___ VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

4

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Carroll

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

___DISTRICT

☒ BUILDING(S)

___STRUCTURE

___SITE

___OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

___PUBLIC

___PRIVATE

☒ BOTH

PUBLIC ACQUISITION

___IN PROCESS

___BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

☒ OCCUPIED

___UNOCCUPIED

___WORK IN PROGRESS

ACCESSIBLE

☒ YES: RESTRICTED

___ YES: UNRESTRICTED

___NO

PRESENT USE

___AGRICULTURE

___COMMERCIAL

___EDUCATIONAL

___ENTERTAINMENT

___GOVERNMENT

___INDUSTRIAL

___MILITARY

___MUSEUM

___PARK

___PRIVATE RESIDENCE

☒ RELIGIOUS

___SCIENTIFIC

___TRANSPORTATION

___OTHER:

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME Emmanuel Baptist Church of Gamber

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

4150 Sykesville Road (Maryland Route 32)

CITY, TOWN

Finksburg

___ VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

Maryland

21048

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC. Carroll County Office Building

Liber #: 352

Folio #: 679

STREET & NUMBER

225 North Center Street

CITY, TOWN

Westminster

STATE

Maryland

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

___FEDERAL ___STATE ___COUNTY ___LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION**CONDITION**

☐ EXCELLENT
☒ GOOD
☐ FAIR

☐ DETERIORATED
☐ RUINS
☐ UNEXPOSED

CHECK ONE

☐ UNALTERED
☒ ALTERED

CHECK ONE

☒ ORIGINAL SITE
☐ MOVED

DATE 1872**DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE**

The Old Mount Pleasant Methodist Church faces north/east off of Sykesville Road, and sits upon a small hill thirty or so yards from it. The facade faces Finksburg, the back, Eldersburg.

The wall structure and foundation are of uncoursed stone of this three-bay front, four-bay side, small rectangular building. Windows are rectangular in shape with plain trim and contain stained glass. Stone, rectangular bases anchor each window. The wood gable roof is covered with what appears to be sheet metal shingles and ends in a box cornice. A central, exterior end, back wall chimney has battlement-type open brick work. It appears to be more recent than 1872 and is in great need of repair.

A square belfry with rounded arch openings is covered with painted wood shingles. It has a simple turned railing around it and is topped by a hip-style roof with extended ends.

The southern back wall is void of windows, but has a recent entrance door.

The north/east front facade has two entrance doors on either side of a central stained glass window. Above this window and below the gable is a round, stained glass window that reads "Mount Pleasant Methodist Church". The entrance doors are reached by a large, single, stone step. They are each large, double two-panelled recessed wood doors with plain wood trim and stone lintel. Above the lintel are stained glass transoms. Cement steps and platform porch lead to these entrances.

A contemporary building which houses an auditorium, Sunday School rooms, kitchen, etc. connects with the church by an open breezeway. The church sits among tress, with its own cemetery in back.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

8 SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD		AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> RELIGION	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)	
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION			

SPECIFIC DATES

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Methodist/Baptist Church not only stands as one of the few remaining stone chapel/church in the county, but also as a structure identified with the Methodist split over church issues in the 1820's - 30's in this area.

Robert Strawbridge came to Maryland and the New Windsor area as the first pioneer of America Methodism (see CARR. -86). But other pioneers came directly from Wesley in England to plant Methodism and expand it in this country. In the late 1700's, Methodism came to the Gamber area via Robert William, a convert of Wesley's, from England, settled here and erected a sod house for worship and preaching. The congregation grew rapidly and in 1827 land was purchased and the Providence Meeting House was to be built. Because of heated arguments over church issues, the Methodist split. A decision could not be made between church self-government and equal rights for laity and clergy. The land and then log house, was given to the supporters of equalization, the "Methodist Protestants". The "Methodist Episcopalians" who favored more authority for their bishops, moved out. The split was named the "Providence Split".

The Methodist Episcopalians worshipped for over ten years, first in an old school, then in a Louisville (neighboring community) shed. Finally they had a log structure on the present Sykesville Road (Md. 32).

At this time, 1843, the church was incorporated and well-organized as the Mount Pleasant Methodist Episcopal Church. In 1872, they erected this stone church on the same spot and parcel of land. In 1943, Providence and Mt. Pleasant merged at last to form one congregation again. The church now stands as the home of Emmanuel Baptist Church.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

- "Gamber Church Splits, Unites" 5-27-77 Carroll County Times
 "Service of Merger for the Union of Mt. Pleasant Methodist and Providence
 Methodist Church" booklet 1943
 "The first Methodist Episcopal Church in America" by Rev. James M. Maxwell

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY _____

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE	Maryland	COUNTY	Carroll
STATE		COUNTY	

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE Fredi Eckhardt historic site surveyor

ORGANIZATION	DATE
Carroll County Committee of the Maryland Historical Trust	

STREET & NUMBER	TELEPHONE
210 East Main Street	848-6494

CITY OR TOWN	STATE
Westminster	Maryland

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature, to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 Supplement.

The Survey and Inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

RETURN TO: Maryland Historical Trust
 The Shaw House, 21 State Circle
 Annapolis, Maryland 21401
 (301) 267-1438

MD. HISTORICAL TRUST
BOX 1704
ANNAPOLIS, MD. 21404NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM

(Type all entries - complete applicable sections)

STATE: MARYLAND	
COUNTY: CARROLL	
FOR NPS USE ONLY	
ENTRY NUMBER	DATE

1. NAME			
COMMON: EMMANUEL BAPTIST CHURCH			
AND/OR HISTORIC: (FORMERLY Mt. PLEASANT M.E. CHURCH)			
2. LOCATION			
STREET AND NUMBER:			
CITY OR TOWN: GAMBER			
STATE MD.	CODE	COUNTY: CARROLL	CODE
3. CLASSIFICATION			
CATEGORY (Check One)		OWNERSHIP	STATUS
District <input type="checkbox"/> Building <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		Public <input type="checkbox"/> Public Acquisition:	Occupied <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Site <input type="checkbox"/> Structure <input type="checkbox"/>		Private <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> In Process <input type="checkbox"/>	Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/>
Object <input type="checkbox"/>		Bath <input type="checkbox"/> Being Considered <input type="checkbox"/>	Preservation work in progress <input type="checkbox"/>
ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC			
Yes: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
Restricted <input type="checkbox"/>			
Unrestricted <input type="checkbox"/>			
No: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)			
Agricultural <input type="checkbox"/>	Government <input type="checkbox"/>	Park <input type="checkbox"/>	Transportation <input type="checkbox"/>
Commercial <input type="checkbox"/>	Industrial <input type="checkbox"/>	Private Residence <input type="checkbox"/>	Other (Specify) <input type="checkbox"/>
Educational <input type="checkbox"/>	Military <input type="checkbox"/>	Religious <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Entertainment <input type="checkbox"/>	Museum <input type="checkbox"/>	Scientific <input type="checkbox"/>	
4. OWNER OF PROPERTY			
OWNERS NAME: Rev. Gordon T. Mitzel, Pastor 12/70			
STREET AND NUMBER:			
CITY OR TOWN:		STATE:	CODE
5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION			
COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC: CARROLL County			
STREET AND NUMBER:			
CITY OR TOWN: WESTMINSTER		STATE MD.	CODE
APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY:			
6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS			
TITLE OF SURVEY:			
DATE OF SURVEY: Federal <input type="checkbox"/> State <input type="checkbox"/> County <input type="checkbox"/> Local <input type="checkbox"/>			
DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:			
STREET AND NUMBER:			
CITY OR TOWN:		STATE:	CODE

SEE INSTRUCTIONS

STATE:

COUNTY:

ENTRY NUMBER

DATE

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7. DESCRIPTION

CONDITION	(Check One)				
	Excellent <input type="checkbox"/>	Good <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Fair <input type="checkbox"/>	Deteriorated <input type="checkbox"/>	Ruins <input type="checkbox"/> Unexposed <input type="checkbox"/>
INTEGRITY	(Check One)		(Check One)		
	Altered <input type="checkbox"/>	Unaltered <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Moved <input type="checkbox"/>	Original Site <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (If known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

Originally known as the Mount Pleasant M.E. Church this structure is rectangular in shape and of cut field stone construction.

At the N. ~~st~~ end elevation, facade are two doors flanking a centered window. The two doors are recessed and possess traceried transoms with stained panes. The window is one over one sash with leaded tracery. There is a fully round window at the gable level.

Both E. and W. elevations are four windows in length with one over one sash containing stained leaded glass.

The roof is A frame running N to S. with the interior N end belfry of frame construction and possessing lancet openings. There is a small interior stove chimney at the S end.

At the eaves are shallow box eave cornices with gable returns.

To the W. elevation is a recently constructed cinder block parish hall.

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8. SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)				
Pre-Columbian <input type="checkbox"/>	16th Century <input type="checkbox"/>	18th Century <input type="checkbox"/>	20th Century <input type="checkbox"/>	
15th Century <input type="checkbox"/>	17th Century <input type="checkbox"/>	19th Century <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known)				
AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)				
Aboriginal <input type="checkbox"/>	Education <input type="checkbox"/>	Political <input type="checkbox"/>	Urban Planning <input type="checkbox"/>	
Prehistoric <input type="checkbox"/>	Engineering <input type="checkbox"/>	Religion/Philosophy <input type="checkbox"/>	Other (Specify) <input type="checkbox"/>	
Historic <input type="checkbox"/>	Industry <input type="checkbox"/>	Science <input type="checkbox"/>		
Agriculture <input type="checkbox"/>	Invention <input type="checkbox"/>	Sculpture <input type="checkbox"/>		
Art <input type="checkbox"/>	Landscape <input type="checkbox"/>	Social/Humanitarian <input type="checkbox"/>		
Commerce <input type="checkbox"/>	Architecture <input type="checkbox"/>	Theater <input type="checkbox"/>		
Communications <input type="checkbox"/>	Literature <input type="checkbox"/>	Transportation <input type="checkbox"/>		
Conservation <input type="checkbox"/>	Military <input type="checkbox"/>			
	Music <input type="checkbox"/>			

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE (Include Personages, Dates, Events, Etc.)

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9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY				O R	LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN ONE ACRE				
CORNER	LATITUDE				LONGITUDE				
	Degrees	Minutes	Seconds	Degrees	Minutes	Seconds	Degrees	Minutes	Seconds
NW	0	'	"	0	'	"	0	'	"
NE	0	'	"	0	'	"	0	'	"
SE	0	'	"	0	'	"	0	'	"
SW	0	'	"	0	'	"	0	'	"

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STATE:	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
STATE:	CODE	COUNTY:	CODE
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11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE: <i>J. Richard Rivers</i>		
ORGANIZATION: <i>MHT</i>	DATE: <i>3/71</i>	
STREET AND NUMBER:		
CITY OR TOWN:	STATE:	CODE:

12. STATE LIAISON OFFICER CERTIFICATION

NATIONAL REGISTER VERIFICATION

As the designated State Liaison Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the National Park Service. The recommended level of significance of this nomination is:

National ☐ State ☐ Local ☐

Name _____

Title _____

Date _____

I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register.

Chief, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation

Date _____

ATTEST:

Keeper of The National Register

Date _____

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S/E elevation

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corner - N/E front, N/W side

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